

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Debby Barrett, on April 4, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Debby Barrett, Chairman (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Greg Hinkle, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Kevin McCue, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 165, 3/31/2011; HB 411, 3/31/2011; SR 9, 3/31/2011; SR 10, 3/31/2011; SR 11, 3/31/2011; SR 12, 3/31/2011

Executive Action: HB 587 - Be concurred in as amended
HB 165 - Be concurred in
HB 411 - Be concurred in
SR 9 - Be adopted
SR 10 - Be adopted
SR 11 - Be adopted
SR 12 - Be adopted
SR 7 - Be adopted
SR 8 - Be adopted

HEARING ON HB 165

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:30 Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 165, Deposit certain trust land and river bed income to guarantee account.

Proponents' Testimony:

None

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

00:02:36 Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:02:52 Sen. Larsen
00:03:04 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:04:47 Sen. Tropila
00:05:20 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:05:27 Sen. Vincent and Sen. Hinkle joined the hearing. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Keane, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzienried left the hearing.
00:06:09 Sen. Tropila
00:06:30 Dir. Sexton, DNRC
00:07:22 Sen. Jackson
00:07:56 Dir. Sexton
00:08:40 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:10:00 Sen. Jackson
00:10:49 Dir. Sexton
00:14:00 Sen. Kaufmann
00:14:24 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:16:28 Sen. Kaufmann
00:16:42 Dir. Sexton
00:19:05 Sen. Tropila
00:19:24 Dir. Sexton
00:21:19 Sen. Tropila
00:21:39 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:24:22 Sen. Jackson
00:24:38 Dir. Sexton

Closing by Sponsor:

00:25:32 Rep. Hollandsworth

HEARING ON HB 411

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:55 Rep. Franke Wilmer (D), HD 64, opened the hearing on HB 411, Authorizing the actual cost of meals for certain wildland firefighters.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:30:10 Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:31:28 Sen. Jackson
00:32:00 Rep. Wilmer
00:32:10 Dir. Sexton, DNRC
00:32:29 Sen. Kaufmann
00:32:44 Dir. Sexton
00:32:59 Sen. Larsen
00:33:18 Dir. Sexton
00:33:24 Sen. Tropila
00:33:59 Dir. Sexton

Closing by Sponsor:

00:34:40 Rep. Wilmer

HEARING ON SR 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:35 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SR 9, Confirm appointee to Board of Environmental Review.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:36:13 Viv Hammill, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor
00:36:43 Tom Livers, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:49 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SR 10

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:38:17 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SR 10, Confirm appointee to Board of Environmental Review.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:44 Viv Hammill, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:13 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SR 11

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:39:27 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SR 11, Confirm appointee to Board of Environmental Review.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:39:49 Viv Hammill, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:40:12 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SR 12

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:40:26 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SR 12, Confirm appointee to Board of Environmental Review.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:40:47 Viv Hammill, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:12 Sen. Barrett

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 587

00:42:02 **Motion:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **HB 587 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:42:54 **Motion:** Sen. De. Barrett moved that **HB 587 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(nas75a01)

Discussion:

00:43:48 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:44:45 Sen. Kaufmann

00:45:05 Sen. Barrett

00:45:18 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

00:45:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **HB 587 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy. Sen. Kaufmann will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 165

00:47:06 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **HB 165 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 8-6 by roll call vote with Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Kaufmann, Sen. Keane, Sen. Larsen, Sen. Tropila and Sen. Wanzenried voting no. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy. Sen. Peterson will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 411

00:48:35 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **HB 411 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 13-1 by voice vote with Sen. Wanzenried voting no. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy. Sen. Larsen will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 9

00:49:31 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 9 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 13-1 by voice vote with Sen. Brenden voting no. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 10

00:49:53 **Motion:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 10 BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

00:50:15 Sen. Barrett

00:50:40 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-3 by voice vote with Sen. Brenden, Sen. Jackson and Sen. Vincent voting no. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 11

00:51:33 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 11 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 12

00:52:02 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 12 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 13-1 by voice vote with Sen. Brenden voting no. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 7

00:54:51 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 7 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 8

00:55:56 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SR 8 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden, Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Keane, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Walker and Sen. Wanzenried voted by proxy.

ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS

[EXHIBIT\(nas75a02\)](#)

Information related to SR 9, SR 10, SR 11 and SR 12 distributed to committee on April 4, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT

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00:57:52

Kevin McCue, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nas75aad.pdf](#))